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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Weekly average temperatures were from one to three degrees below normal in the northeast and from one to four degrees above normal elsewhere. Temperatures dropped into the 30's over much of the Sandhills and the west on Tuesday morning. The first frost of the season formed in low areas. Temperatures climbed into the 90's in the same area on Sunday. The north central division received a half inch of moisture from scattered showers, but very little moisture fell elsewhere.

CROPS Favorable weather during the week accelerated crop maturity. Corn has advanced to 80 percent mature with a few early maturing fields harvested. Most of this harvest is for high moisture storage and seed corn. Silage cutting continued with irrigated fields yielding excellent tonnage.

Sorghum is very good in most areas with all but a few late fields turning color. About 45 percent of the crop is ripe, and a limited amount was harvested in the central and east. Forage sorghums made excellent growth, and heads filled well. Harvesting for silage, forage and hay is well under way. Soybeans progressed well, and 95 percent of the crop is shedding leaves. About 40 percent of the crop is ripe with a few fields harvested.

Dry bean harvest is in advanced stages in the Panhandle and southwest. Fall potato harvest is making good progress with very good yields and quality. Sugar beet digging was quite limited in the southwest.

Seeding of winter wheat is nearing completion in most areas, and 90 percent of the acreage is in the ground. Hard, washing rains in parts of the south caused spotted replanting. Fall sown crops are coming up to good stands in most areas, but moisture would be beneficial in many areas, especially the Panhandle and southwest.

The last cutting of alfalfa is being harvested with a high quality hay.

LIVESTOCK Livestock condition is good. Pastures and ranges are providing adequate forage. Feeder cattle movement is picking up.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 29, 1969

East		Centr	<u>al</u>			West							
Grand Island	T	Burwe	11	•	23	Chadron	0						
Lincoln	0	North	Platte		0	Imperial	0						
Norfolk	T	Valen	tine		01	Scottsblui	0						
Omaha	.02					Sidney		0					
Sioux City	.17												
Precipitation, April 1 - September 26, 1969													
	NW NC		NE	CEN	EC	SW	sc	SE					
Total past week	.20	.50	. 24	.07	.15	.06	.08	.04					
Total since April 1	11,24	12.25	17.90	15.61	18.16	14.16	22.30	24.82					
Normal since April 1	12.52	15.22	18,13	16.62	19.57	14.31	16.80	21.48					

(Day-time highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE Night-time lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

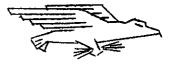
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		September 22nd		23rd		24th		25th		26th		27th		28th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	67	38	81	57	82	43	76	39	79	36	84	63	93	44
	Scottsbluff	66	40	80	47	83	46	7 6	45	81	40	86	52	91	47
	Sidney	64	38	7 6	45	84	43	76	46	81	39	82	47	92	45
NC	Burwell	68	40	73	45	84	51	78	47	82	- 42	7 9	50	81	49
	Valentine	69	37	76	52	82	48	76	44	80	41	79	54	92	50
NE	Norfolk	70	45	66	45	80	52	75	45	84	46	75	52	78	58
	Sioux City	70	46	64	40	74	55	76	44	7 7	47	75	50	77	51
CEN	Grand Island	71	46	73	50	82	52	77	52	84	47	78	53	82	55
EC	Lincoln	76	49	72	47	83	47	76	51	87	52	78	56	7 3	65
	Omaha	76	48	67	41	73	54	74	54	84	[`] 51	. 76	52	74	59
SW	Imperial	71	37	81	50	89	45	78	42	85	41	83	50	94	47
	North Platte	70	37	79	51	87	48	76	50	84	42	79 ´	49	85	53

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